Supply of LPG in NER

*333. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps being taken by Government to ensure smooth supply of LPG in the country, particularly in NER; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) and (b) At present, the demand of LPG customers enrolled with the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) in the country including the North-East Region (NER) is being met, by and large, in full.

As on 1.4.2001, in North-Eastern States, 301 LPG distributorships of OMCs were operating and 150 Thousand Metric Tonnes Per Annum (TMTPA) bottling capacity was available. Further, to cater to the future demand of the North-Eastern States, OMCs have planned to set up 133 new LPG distributorships under various Marketing Plans and under the special scheme for widows / next of kin of martyrs of OP Vijay (Kargil).

It has also been planned to increase the bottling capacity in the North-Eastern States to 208 TMTPA.

Holiday Package by IA

*334. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN:
DR. (MS.) P. SELVIE DAS:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Airlines have signed a MoU with RTDC for launching holiday packages and marketing RTDC products world-wide;

(b) if so, what are the other States with whom similar MoUs have been signed; and

(c) whether similar MoU is proposed to be signed with Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir. Indian Airlines have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. to join hands in taking initiative in promoting tourism to Rajasthan as under:—